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# RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.143

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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits the following in response to the Requirement for Restriction that was mailed on December 1, 2006.

In the Requirement for Restriction, the Examiner divided the claims into two groups, as follows:

Group I = claims 1-16, drawn to a method for treatment, and

Group II = claims 17-23, drawn to a kit.

Applicant hereby elects for present prosecution the claims of Group I, claims 1-16, drawn to a method for treatment.

The Examiner has also indicated that, in the event that Applicant elects Group I, Applicant must further elect a single species of those listed in claim 12, incorrectly stated in the Requirement for Restriction as claim 11, from among estrogen, androgen, and progestin. Applicant hereby elects progestin. It is noted that claims 1 and 11 are generic claims from which claim 12 depends. Applicant hereby elects progestin as the species.

Applicant submits that the elected claims are in condition for allowance and requests an early notice to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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